



# City of Cincinnati

## Board of Park Commissioners

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### MEDIA RELEASE

#### **23rd Year Cincinnati Named Tree City USA**

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#### **Cincinnati's Official Arbor Day Celebration**

**WHO: Cincinnati Park Board**

**WHAT: TREE CITY USA AWARDS / ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION**

The National Arbor Day Foundation has named Cincinnati a "Tree City USA" for the 23rd consecutive year and a recipient of the "Tree City USA Growth Award" for the ninth consecutive year.

The National Arbor Day Foundation, in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service, sponsor the Tree City USA program. To become a Tree City USA a community must meet four standards, have:

- A tree board or department
- A tree care ordinance
- A comprehensive community forestry program

And,

- Conduct an Arbor Day observance

Cincinnati Parks will celebrate Arbor Day on Friday, April 30, 2004 at Westwood Elementary School in Westwood. A ceremonial tree will be planted and a Mayoral proclamation issued in honor of the day.

Cincinnati Park's Urban Forestry Program was also awarded the Tree City USA Growth Award. The Growth Award recognizes environmental improvement and higher levels of tree care in Tree City USA communities.

**WHEN: Arbor Day Celebration – Friday, April 30, 2004**

12:45 – 1:30 p.m. Ceremonial Tree Planting and a visit by "MR. TREE"

**WHERE: Westwood Elementary School (2981 Montana Ave. / Westwood)**

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